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On Saturday, February 27, 2016, a meeting will be held at Porterville Developmental Center (PDC) for parents, family members, guardians and conservators of individuals living at PDC regarding the closure plan of the General Treatment Area. The meeting will be held in the Auditorium and is scheduled from 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm. You are invited to attend this meeting or stop in at any time during the meeting.

The 2015 May Revision to the Governor's Budget proposed the closures of the three remaining DCs--including the General Treatment Area of Porterville. The closure of the GTA portion of PDC would be expected to occur prior to the end of 2021. The Department is now required to submit a closure plan for PDC to the Legislature by April 1, 2016; implementation of that plan will be contingent upon legislative approval as part of the budget process.

Staff from the Department of Developmental Services will be in attendance to hear your thoughts, comments and input on what you would like to see included in the closure plan and to answer questions. Your long and valued involvement with your family member and PDC makes you uniquely qualified to provide important insight on the content of this plan.

We are strongly committed to ensuring the quality of care both at PDC and as individuals transition to the community-based services. Your participation, feedback and opinions are essential to the development of a comprehensive, thoughtful closure plan that best reflects the needs of the women and men who live in the GTA at PDC.

Sincerely,

Theresa Billeci Executive Director